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SUBJECT: NEWSLETTER ARTICLE

1. DEPARTMENT OF STATE NEWSLETTER IS PREPARING COVERAGE OF EVENTS OF LAST FEW DAYS IN IRAN, AFGHANISTAN AND ELSEWHERE, AND EDITORS NEED CONTRIBUTION FROM EMBASSY KABUL.

2. CONTRIBUTION WOULD BE IN FORM OF FIRST-HAND FIRST-PERSON STORY WRITTEN BY A PERSON WHO WAS ON THE SCENE WHEN AMBASSADOR DUBS WAS MURDERED. WRITER SHOULD GIVE HIS OR HER PERSONAL REACTIONS TO EVENTS AS THEY UNFOLDED, AND TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE SHOULD REPORT WHAT OTHER AMERICAN PERSONNEL WERE DOING AT THE TIME. WRITER SHOULD DESCRIBE CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING TO HIS OR HER ARRIVAL ON THE SCENE AND SHOULD DESCRIBE ALSO WHAT HAPPENED IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE MURDER. WRITER SHOULD DEVOTE PART OF STORY TO THE AMBASSADOR HIMSELF AND DESCRIBE HIS OR HER RELATION-
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SHOULD BE CABLED TO MEET FEBRUARY 23 DEADLINE. EDITORS
REALIZE THAT EMBASSY PERSONNEL ARE RUSHED AND BUSY WITH
OTHER MATTERS BUT ARE HOPEFUL STORY CAN BE WRITTEN WHILE
MEMORY OF EVENTS IS STILL FRESH. WE HOPE STORY WOULD SERVE
AS ONE MORE MEMORIAL TO AMBASSADOR DUBS' SERVICE TO US ALL.
CHRISTOPHER

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